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Daybroke

Ionic Bond

Once upon a time in a land far too close to home lived a young boy with more potential than physics could ever predict. He was fast, strong, smart, and everything else a boy should be. Every morning, he woke up just before the crack of dawn to see the sun rise twice: once in the sky and once on the sea.

He woke up early to think about what he was, what he could be. With all the time everybody else had, and then some, he could become faster, stronger, smarter, and better at everything else a boy should be. He was nine. For a minute or two, he closed his eyes and daydreamed a dream he could never fulfill, but he tried and tried for the rest of the afternoon. In the dream his fingers caught the sun in the exact way his head couldn't catch his ambition.

He swam to the waves where the four o'clock sun glistened in the water but didn't catch the sun as it set twice: once in the sky and once on the sea.

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